

A GREEN GUIDE TO BOATING

PROTECT THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT



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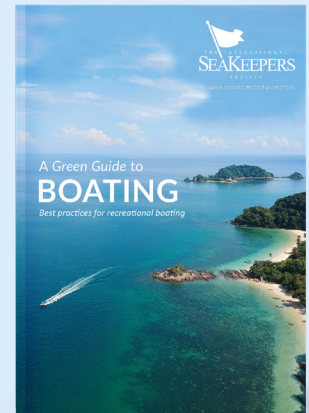
RESEARCH. EDUCATE. PROTECT AND RESTORE.

The International SeaKeepers Society, has launched *A Green Guide to Boating, Best Practices For Recreational Boating* with **forewords written by world renowned and well-respected marine conservationists - Sylvia A. Earle and Fabien Cousteau.**

The guide features **practical tips to reduce your boat's impact on the water whilst preventing pollution** and provides comprehensive information that boaters can take to protect the marine environment.

There is particular excitement about the release of *A Green Guide to Boating*. In 1973, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, now known universally as MARPOL.

MARPOL has contributed to a significant decrease in pollution from international shipping which applies to 99% of the world's merchant tonnage. Other treaties address antifouling systems used on ships,



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“The ocean affects us in profound ways. As an organization founded by yacht owners, one of our key goals is to directly **reach out to yachters to further research, protect and restore our oceans and to raise awareness about the issues faced.**”

Jay Wade

Chairman of The International SeaKeepers Society

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“Yachters are in a unique position to be a leader in water protection. *A Green Guide to Boating* acts as a **mindful reference of your environmental impact whilst enjoying being on your boat.**”

Julian Chang

President of The International SeaKeepers Society, Asia.

the transfer of invasive aquatic species by ships' ballast water and the environmentally sound recycling of ships.

Recreational boating can also have an undesirable impact on marine ecosystems. Yet there is not one standard set of recommended best practices available that applies to recreational boating.

Based on an idea mooted by the late Steven Lek, a DISCOVERY Yacht Member of the SeaKeepers Asia Chapter, to provide practical help to boat owners, content for *A Green*

Guide to Boating has been inspired by global practices, and is adapted to suit the United States of America (US) as well as Malaysia. *A Green Guide to Boating* (US & Asia version) is available at www.seakeepers.org/a-green-guide-to-boating.

The US version of *A Green Guide to Boating* project was made possible by the support of the SeaKeepers Asia Chapter.



Scan the QR code to download the digital version of *A Green Guide to Boating*.